

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State/Territory: Illinois

ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

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Process for the Investigation of Allegations of Resident Neglect  
and Abuse and Misappropriation of Resident Property

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The State has in effect the following process for the receipt and timely review and investigation of allegations of neglect and abuse and misappropriation of resident property by a nurse aide or a resident in a nursing facility or by another individual used by the facility in providing services to such a resident. (See IL Nursing Home Care Act). CLB w/rr 4/14/94

The State receives allegations of resident abuse, neglect and misappropriation of property through facility incident reporting, complaints filed with the Department of Public Health's 24 hour complaint hot line and through normal survey activities. If the allegation of abuse, neglect or misappropriation of resident property is received in the form of an incident report and the State determines that the facility administration conducted an adequate investigation of the allegation (and appropriate measures were taken during and upon conclusion of the investigation), no further investigation by the State is warranted. If the State determines after review of a facility incident report that further investigation is warranted or that the facility did not take appropriate action, an on-site investigation is conducted.

All reports of resident abuse, neglect and misappropriation of property are screened by staff and those cases with credible evidence are reviewed by a group of nursing, legal and administrative staff. The group decides which cases warrant formal legal notice to the nurse aide that it is the State's intent to include the finding of resident abuse, neglect or misappropriation of property next to their name in the nurse aide registry, permanently preventing them from working as a nurse aide.

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